#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Project Staff Report 2013 Second Round September 25, 2013

**Project Number** CA-13-179

Project Name Azusa Apartments

Site Address: 805 S. Cerritos Avenue

Azusa, CA 91702 County: Los Angeles

Census Tract: 4043.020

Tax Credit Amounts Federal/Annual State/Total

Requested: \$1,229,562 \$0 Recommended: \$1,229,562 \$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: Woodcroft Street Housing Associates, L.P.

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General Partner(s) or Principal Owner(s): Big Dalton Wash LLC

General Partner Type: Nonprofit

Parent Company: Community HousingWorks
Developer: Community HousingWorks

Investor/Consultant: California Housing Partnership Corporation

Management Agent(s): SK Management Company, LLC

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: Acquisition & Rehabilitation

Total # Residential Buildings: 15 Total # of Units: 88

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 87 100% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%

Federal Subsidy: HUD Section 8 Project-based Contract (81 Units / 92%) /

NeighborWorks America

Affordability Breakdown by Units and % (Lowest Income Points):

30% AMI: 9 10 % 40% AMI: 18 20 % 50% AMI: 35 40 %

#### **Information**

Set-Aside: At-Risk Housing Type: At-Risk

Geographic Area: Balance of Los Angeles County

TCAC Project Analyst: Jack Waegell

### **Unit Mix**

8 1-Bedroom Units

30 2-Bedroom Units

42 3-Bedroom Units

8 4-Bedroom Units

88 Total Units

Unit	t Type & Number	2013 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income	2013 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income	Proposed Rent (including utilities)
2	1 Bedroom	40%	40%	\$621
3	1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$776
3	1 Bedroom	60%	60%	\$932
3	2 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$559
6	2 Bedrooms	40%	40%	\$746
12	2 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$932
9	2 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$1,119
5	3 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$646
9	3 Bedrooms	40%	40%	\$861
17	3 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$1,076
10	3 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$1,292
1	4 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$720
1	4 Bedrooms	40%	40%	\$961
3	4 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$1,201
3	4 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$1,441
1	3 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

### **Project Financing**

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$30,228,793 Estimated Residential Project Cost: \$30,228,793

## Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot: \$67
Per Unit Cost: \$343,509

# **Construction Financing**

# **Permanent Financing**

Amount	Source	Amount
\$16,362,800	Red Capital Markets - FHA 221(d)(4)	\$16,362,800
\$1,500,000	NeighborWorks America	\$1,500,000
\$1,160,685	Income from Operations	\$1,160,685
\$1,134,291	General Partner Equity	\$100
\$100	Tax Credit Equity	\$11,205,208
\$10,070,917	TOTAL	\$30,228,793
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### **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

\$9,083,473
Yes
\$5,212,354
100.00%
\$11,808,515
9.00%
\$5,212,354
3.20%
\$1,062,766
\$166,795
\$1,229,561
\$2,000,000
\$1,400,000
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\$0.91132

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

## **Eligible Basis and Basis Limit**

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis: \$14,295,827 Actual Eligible Basis: \$23,196,456 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$22,151,680 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$26,582,016

## **Adjustments to Basis Limit:**

Required to Pay Prevailing Wages

#### **Tie-Breaker Information**

First: At-Risk Second: 43.054%

#### **Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. Annual operating expenses meet the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one. Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 9.00% of the qualified basis, or, in the case of acquisition credit or credit combined with federal subsidies, 3.20%. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

**Special Issues/Other Significant Information:** The project has a HUD Section 8 project-based contract on 81 of the 87 affordable units (92%).

**Legal Status:** Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed that raised any question regarding the financial viability or legal integrity of the applicant.

#### **Local Reviewing Agency:**

The Local Reviewing Agency, the City of Azusa, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal Tax Credits/Annual \$1,229,562 State Tax Credits/Total \$0

#### **Standard Conditions**

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation, any Readiness to Proceed Requirements elected, and a Final Reservation. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of ten years and at no cost to the tenants. Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(6) at project completion. Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2) at project completion.

Additional Conditions: None.

Doints System	Max. Possible	Requested	Points
Points System	Points	<b>Points</b>	Awarded
Cost Efficiency / Credit Reduction / Public Funds	20	20	20
Public Funds	20	20	20
Owner / Management Characteristics	9	9	9
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	10	10
Site Amenities	15	15	15
Within ¼ mile of transit stop, service every 30 minutes in rush hours	6	6	6
Within ½ mile of public park or community center open to general public	2	2	2
Within ½ mile of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	4	4	4
Within ¼ mile of a public school that project children may attend	3	3	3
Service Amenities	10	10	10
AT-RISK HOUSING TYPE			
Service Coordinator, minimum ratio of 1 FTE to 1,000 bedrooms	3	3	3
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill bldg classes, minimum 36 hrs/yr instruction	3	3	3
After school program for school age children, minimum of 10 hours/week	5	5	5
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	10
REHABILITATION			
Rehabilitate to improve energy efficiency (change in HERS II rating): 25%	7	7	7
Additional rehab measures: PV generation that offsets either 50% of	3	3	3
Lowest Income	52	52	52
Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed	20	20	20
Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies	2	2	2
State Credit Substitution	2	2	2
Total Points	148	148	148

<u>Please Note:</u> If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.